

SENATE BILL No. 235

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 12-13-5-15; IC 12-20-3-1.5.

Synopsis: State employee caseworkers at township offices. Requires the division of family resources to locate a state employee caseworker at each township office and provide specified equipment for the caseworker to assist township residents with applying for public assistance programs. Requires the township trustee to provide necessary office space for the caseworker.

Effective: July 1, 2010.

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January 11, 2010, read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government.

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Second Regular Session 116th General Assembly (2010)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2009 Regular and Special Sessions of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 12-13-5-15 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2010]: **Sec. 15. (a) The division shall assign a state employee**
4 **caseworker on a full-time basis to be located at each township**
5 **office in Indiana. The caseworker shall assist township residents**
6 **with applying for public assistance programs, including the**
7 **following:**

8 (1) The federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance program
9 (SNAP).

10 (2) The Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
11 program.

12 (3) The Medicaid program.

13 (b) The division shall provide a caseworker located in a
14 township office with a telephone, computer, and access to a copier
15 or facsimile (fax) machine for the administration of eligibility
16 determination documents.

17 (c) A township trustee shall provide the necessary office space



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1 **for a caseworker assigned to work at the township office as**
2 **required by IC 12-20-3-1.5.**

3 SECTION 2. IC 12-20-3-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
4 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
5 1, 2010]: **Sec. 1.5. A township trustee shall provide the necessary**
6 **office space for a caseworker assigned to work at the township**
7 **trustee office under IC 12-13-5-15.**

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